

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Forest Department - Diversion of 4.90 Ha. of forest land in lieu of saved area of 5.33 Ha. of forest land which falls in the same Polavaram Reserve Forest for excavation of ISRMC between km. 0.800 to km. 1.500 (over a length of 0.700 km) for Indira Sagar (Polavaram) Multipurpose Project across Godavari River- Approval accorded - Orders issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 422

Dated:30 -12-2014

Read the following:-

1. GoI., MoEF, Lr.No.8-123/2005-FC, dt.28-7-2010.
2. G.O.Ms.No.136, EFS&T (For.I) Dept., dt.9-8-2010
3. From PCCF, A.P, Lr Rc.No. 53045/2004/FCA-1, dt.11.12.2014.

ORDER:

Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, in the letter 1st read above, have accorded approval (Stage II) under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 3731.07 Ha. (3437.00 Ha. notified forest area plus 258.07 Ha. deemed forest land as per Hon'ble Supreme Court's definition) of forest land for Indira Sagar (Polavaram) Multipurpose Project across Godavari River in the State of Andhra Pradesh, subject to certain conditions as stipulated therein. Accordingly, the State Government in the reference 2nd read above, have issued orders for diversion of above said forest land.

2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in his letter 3rd read above, had reported that during execution, the Irrigation Department has proposed a re-alignment of the canal for which an extent of 4.90 Ha is required in lieu of saving of 5.33 ha in the same Polavaram Reserve Forest for excavation of ISRMC between km. 0.800 to km. 1.500 (over a length of 0.700 km). He has further reported that as per the guidelines in Para 2.1 (v) of Chapter -2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, the State Government need not submit a fresh proposal if the number of trees to be cut does not exceed the number given in the original proposal. In this case the number of trees to be felled are 172 Nos. for 4.90 Ha. instead of 948 Nos for the saved area originally proposed in 5.33 Ha. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, has requested the Government to accord permission by sending a report to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, as per the guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, for diversion of 4.90 Ha. of forest land in lieu of saved area of 5.33 Ha. of forest land which falls in the same Polavaram Reserve Forest for excavation of ISRMC between km. 0.800 to km. 1.500 (over a length of 0.700 km) for Indira Sagar (Polavaram) Multipurpose Project across Godavari River.

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, is therefore directed to take further necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.P. SINGH

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Inspector General of Forests,
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
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The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change,
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The Engineer-in-Chief, Indira Sagar (Polavaram) Project, Dowlaiswaram, East Godavari. District.

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SECTION OFFICER